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Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable JEANNE SHAHEEN, a Senator from the State of New Hampshire.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

God, creator of us all, during this season of goodwill, bring peace to this

Chamber. Make strong in the hearts of all our Senators what unites them. Build bridges across all that divides them, so that they will respect their differences while working together to keep our Nation secure. Remove the divisions that drive wedges of rancor between them, and lead them away from the confrontational to a concord that seeks mutual progress. May this unity

not be obtained at the price of compromising truth, but by the devotion with which each lawmaker passionately loves this Nation and sincerely seeks to keep it strong and free.

Today, let truth prevail over distortion, wisdom triumph over recklessness, and faith vanquish fear.

We pray in Your merciful Name. Amen.

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CHARLES E. SCHUMER, *Chairman*.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable JEANNE SHAHEEN led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. INOUE).

The bill clerk read as follows:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, December 21, 2010.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JEANNE SHAHEEN, a

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